

York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB)
York Region District School Board (YRDSB)

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SESSION
JOINT BOARD CONSORTIUM**

The Joint Board Consortium meeting was held electronically on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

YRDSB Trustees: L. Gilbert, A. Tam, E. Terrell and Student Trustee B. Yu

YRDSB Staff: J. Fair

YCDSB Trustees: R. Cantisano, E. Crowe, T. McNicol

YCDSB Staff: C. McNeil, T. Pechovsky, D. Scuglia

STSYR Staff: C. Tupchong, N. Smith, L. Toniutti

Presiding: T. McNicol

Recording Officer: S. Infanti

Regrets: YRDSB Director of Education L. Sirisko
YCDSB Associate Director of Education E. Pivato

CALL TO ORDER

YCDSB Chair T. McNicol called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(*)1. Moved by E. Crowe, seconded by R. Cantisano:

That the agenda be approved as written.

- Carried -

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

YCDSB Chair T. McNicol asked any trustee who has a direct personal interest or direct or indirect pecuniary interest in any matter being discussed during the meeting to state their conflict and the nature thereof. No conflicts were declared at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(*)2. Moved by E. Crowe, seconded by L. Gilbert:

That the minutes of the March 2, 2022 Joint Board Consortium Public Session meeting be approved as written.

- Carried -

BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising from the minutes of the March 2, 2022 meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

STSYR Service Update

Assistant Manager, Student Transportation Services, N. Smith provided a year-to date vendor service performance report for Student Transportation Services of York Region. N. Smith noted excellent vendor service has occurred throughout the year. When service deficiencies arose, staff worked quickly with vendors to resolve them. While challenges generated by the pandemic resulted in driver shortages and service interruptions in other jurisdictions, N. Smith confirmed that while driver shortages did occur in York Region, service interruptions were avoided through staff and vendor collaboration.

2022-2023 Transportation Budget

Manager, Student Transportation Services C. Tupchong, provided a report on the 2022-2022 budget preparations based on the following factors;

- no additional staff requirements,
- fuel cost fluctuations,
- cost increases due to contractual obligations,
- increased service needs for students based on program, and
- routing efficiencies.

C. Tupchong reviewed that each Board is responsible for approving their own transportation budget and that Consortia administration and operating costs are divided in half between boards.

Student Transportation Policy Review

Manager, Student Transportation Services C. Tupchong provided a report with a cross-jurisdictional review related to distance eligibility and inclement weather zones from

surrounding school boards. C. Tupchong noted the Ministry's decision related to the review of the Student Transportation Funding Model remains unknown. She noted once the results of the survey are released each board will review their respective transportation policies.

A trustee requested staff provide board maps reflecting zone division information.

ADJOURNMENT

(*)3. Moved by L. Gilbert, seconded by R. Cantisano:

That the Joint Board Consortium Meeting Public Session adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

- Carried -